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RESPONSE

In response to the action mailed June 19, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 5-8, 17, 21, 22, 27-34, and 39-42.

Please amend the following claims to:

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1. (Amended) A marking composition, comprising:
a polymer first material comprising silicon; and
a second material capable of extending polymeric chains of the first material,
wherein the first material comprises a phenyl methyl silicone resin and the weight ratio of
phenyl to methyl groups is between about 0.4:1 and 2.1:1, and
the marking composition is capable of undergoing a change that can be detected optically
when the composition is contacted with energy.

11. (Amended) A marking composition, comprising:
a polymer first material comprising silicon;
a second material capable of extending polymeric chains of the first material; and

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